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THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN —AMEN, SO LET IT BE.

Last week a mighty strugglge for supremacy was in progress between the Democrats, Republicans and Progressives—the goal was the Presidency; nothing was left undone by either party. In every city, town and village was heard the voice of the spellbinder proclaiming the claims of his party and the virtues and pre-eminent fitness of his candidate, and denouncing the opposition. These orators were assisted in arousing the enthusiasm of their hearers by brass bands and Greek fire and rockets, and in addition the radio played a part for the first time in a national election in reaching the homes of the people.

On Tuesday there was an armistice. The last word had been spoken by the candidates and their spokesmen and the greatest electorate on earth took the sellection of the President in their own hands—and by six o'clock on that evening the people had spoken, wit hthe result that Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts, and Charles G. Dawes of Illinois received a majority of the votes cast and are therefore elected President and Vice-President respectively of the United States. John W. Davis and Charles W. Bryan were the choice of The Jeffersonian—but the will of the people said otherwise, and God forbid that the day should come in this country when majority rule does not prevail. Therefore we accept the situation and say Amen to the verdict of the people and from this time on Calvin Coolidge is our President and Charles G. Dawes is our Vice-President. And let all the people say amen.

SEE OUR NEW DRESS?

Our picture and magazine section comes out today in an entire new dress. Don't you like it? It is the result of considerable thought and experimenting. The average newspaper is a nuisance to fold and unfold; did you ever try to read one in a street car when you shared your seat with a stout lady? Did you ever think when you turned a page what a nuisance you were to her? Probably you never thought of it, but you were just the same, and then when you sit down at home in the evening it is so much more satisfactory to read a magazine than it is a newspaper. Why? Because they open like a book.

And so it is that we have adopted the present form of our newsgravure section because it opens like a book. The rotogravure section contained pictures from everywhere and but few local scenes or personages. We will endeavor to substitue one with a greater amount of reading matter and profusely illustrated with pictures of scenes at home you love, and men and women in whom you are interested, as well as pictures of public personages of the hour and events of general interest.

It's a bigger job, of course. It takes more time and more work, but that means nothing if in doing it we give our patrons and our advertisers a better paper. And this we are sure we are doing.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN—BUT FOR THE KILKENNY CONVENTION IN NEW YORK.

The election is over and we will have four years more of Republican rule—and what a grand thing it that our people acquesce so readily in the result of a great election. The reason for it is that every true American religiously believes in the right of the majority to rule. Without majority rule Democracy would be a misnomer and the Republic a failure. So that all the people want to know is that the election is fair and square, and they instantly bow to the majority.

Yet at the same time we cannot resist the impulse to think of what might have been. In the history of the Government there has never been a Cabinet that brought such disgrace and scandal to the Administration in power and to the country at large as the Cabinet of Presidents Harding and Coolidge. It shocked the conscience of the entire people and was the topic of discussion wherever men met. The country was ripe for a change, and the Democratic Party never had the right to force a campaign for the Presidency with greater confidence.

The national convention met in New York City and Democrats everywhere were anticipating the nomination of a big man on a platform declaring for a decent and honest administration of the Government with "honesty" as the shibboleth of the campaign. What happened there is history, and very disgraceful history at that. Instead of being a deliberative body of patriotic men looking only to the good of the Party and the country it degenerated into a howling mob controlled by hatred and ready to spring at each others throats, more like the pugilistic kilkenny cats than sane men, and all over an organization that was made a paramount issue, that had no place in a national convention. The convention lasted over a week; the two leading candidates, Smith and McAdoo, were finally bowled out and one of the best men ever nominated for the Presidency was nominated. By the time the convention adjourned the scandal growing out of the Walsh investigation was practically forgotten and the performance of the convention had taken its place in the minds of the people.

Theoretically the delegates to the convention went home satisfied with the nomination of Mr. Daviss. Theoretically hatred gave place to good feeling, but the result of this election shows that the hatred and ill feeling engendered in that unnecessary struggle at New York stuck.

If the Ku Klux Klan controversy had been kept out of national politics by the Democratic Party, and its platform had been honesty in government alone, John W. Davis would have been elected on Tuesday. Will we profit by the mistake? Time will tell.

FREAK LEGISLATION.

In the recent case of James Shea, Jr., of Towson, charged with the sale of whiskey without a license, tried before Judge Duncan, the defense was that there was no law in the county forbidding the sale of intoxicants; that the drastic Hartman law which forbids the sale of spirituous or malt liquors under the penalty of a $300 fine and imprisonment of not less than 6 months had been repealed by the Holtzknecht Act of 1920.

An examination of the Holtzknecht Act reveals some very freakish legislation, to say the least of it.

Section 3 of the Hartman Act provided that it would be unlawful to sell spirituous or fermented liquor without taking out a license, and another section provided the penalty mentioned above—$300 fine and six months' imprisonment.

The Holtzknecht Act attempted to repeal and re-enact this section with an amendment, and in doing so made no reference whatever to spirituous or fermented liquor, but made it unlawful to sell liquors of less percentage than that provided by the Volstead Act without first taking out a license. The effect of this section as amended was to permit the sale of all kinds of intoxicants in Baltimore county without a license. In other words, made it lawful for any one to sell it in any quantity, without any restraint so far as the State law is concerned. The section of the Hartman law, however, dealing with the penalty, was not changed at all, so that under the Holtzknecht law we had this very remarkable condition. You could sell whiskey, gin, hooch, white mule or any kind of knockout hard liquor with perfect impunity so far as the State law is concerned, but you would be liable to a $300 fine and 6 months in the House of Correction if you sold a glass of buttermilk or ginger ale without first securing a license, for they both contain alcohol less than provided by the Volstead Act.

This Act was introduced by Mr. Holtzknecht of the Baltimore county delegation, had its three readings in the House and three readings in the Senate and was signed by the Governor.

After argument Judge Duncan declared the act unconstitutional and therefore void and of non-effect, and the Hartman law is still law in Baltimore county unless Judge Duncan's opinion is reversed by the Court of Appeals.

It would be interesting indeed to know something of the history of this bill, who was behind it, who proposed it and what was intended to be accomplished by it.

ARMISTICE DAY.

Armistice Day will be an occasion forever memorable, because America on that date demonstrated that material prosperity had not made our country effeminate. The common expression in Europe, up to the time our country entered the war, was that "America would not fight." We were supposed to be too engrossed in the pursuit of dollars. There is such a thing as goading a peaceful man too hard. The folly of fighting may seem so supreme to him that he holds aloof from battle to the last moment that his self respect permits.

But when he sees that nothing is left but the test of battle, he fights with a certain superfierceness of energy. His sense of justice has been outraged, and these indignities arouse him to a fervor of devotion that makes him unconquerable. It was in this spirit that the American soldiers played their unforgettable part in the great drama that ended six years ago.

IDLENESS—NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS.

Judging from the vast number of women of all ages—from the flapper type to grandmothers—who packed the court room at Towson, "pricking their ears" to hear all the testimony in the Fedeli murder case, some of which was unfit to hear but necessary in a trial of this character—many a hungry husband arrived home not only to find his dinner was not prepared, but that his wife was among the morbid curious listeners at a murder trial.

Judge Duncan was repeatedly required to bang his gavel down and call for order, for at each jesture of opposing counsel there was loud laughing and one might have thought it was a vaudeville show instead of a very serious trial, where a woman's life held in the balance.

Every sensationad murder trial at Towson proves that there are hundreds of idlers always ready and willing to hear the filth so often brought out in the testimony.

HEALTH WORKERS ELECT OFFICERS.

At a meeting of the First District Public Health Association, Mrs. Leonidas Duty was named president; Mrs. Leon J. de Bullet, vice-president; Mrs. Edward M. Fulton, treasurer, and Mrs. Jas. K. Cullen and Mrs. C. S. Roberts, secretaries.

WIFE SUES FOR ALIMONY, CUSTODY OF CHILDREN.

A bill was filed in the Circuit Court at Towson by Mrs. Edith Smith in which she asks that her husband, Joseph H. Smith, be required to pay her alimony and to give her custody of their three minor children. The bill states that they were maried October 13, 1917. The husband is charged with cruelty, desertion and inadequate support.

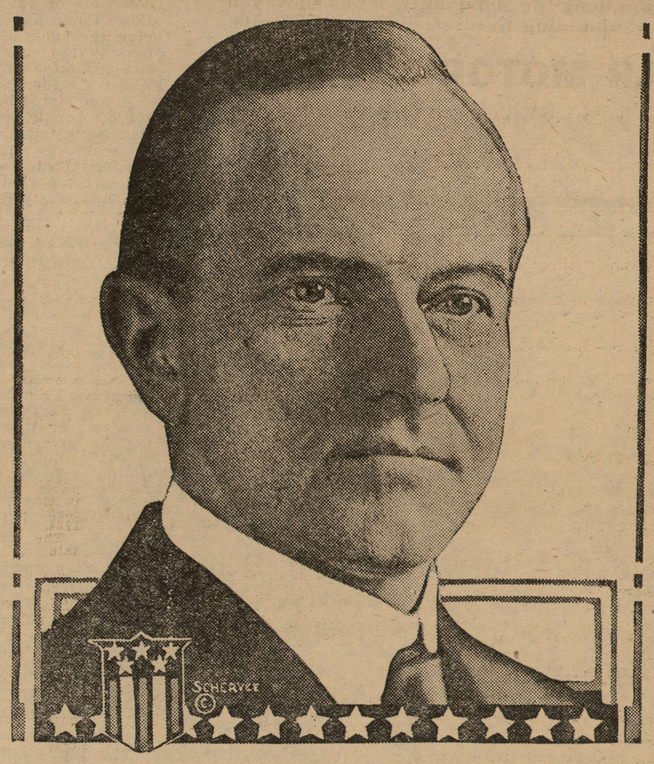
PERMIT FOR FIRST UNIT OF SEWER WORK GRANTED.

A permit to construct the first unit of the Catonsville sewerage system has been granted for the Meridale Farm Section by the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering of the State Department of Health.

DOG BITES BICYCLIST.

While riding a bicycle near Catonsville, Leroy Zimmerman was bitten on the leg by a dog.

ELECTED THIRTY-FIRST PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES.



MEMBERSHIP OF CONGRESS IS SPECULATIVE—REPUBLICANS SEEMED TO HAVE GAINED 12 REPRESENTATIVES.

(From the Washington Correspondent of The Jeffersonian)

Uncertainty continues whether the Republicans, profiting by the Coolidge-Dawes sweep in the east, middle west and some sections of the west, had gained sufficient strength in the House of Representatives and Senate to command a working majority in the next Congress.

Late returns on two-thirds of the House seats, Republicans had made a net gain of around a dozen. Election of nine Democratic and nine Republican senatorial candidates was definitely known, with Republican nominees leading their Democratic opponents in several other States.

Democratic Senators re-elected include Heflin, Alabama; Robinson, Arkansas, the minority leader in the Senate; Harris, Georgia; Ransdell, Louisiana; Harison, Mississippi; Simmons, North Carolina; Sheppard, Texas, and Glass, Virginia, while Cole Blease, a former Democratic Governor, was chosen to fill the seat from South Carolina now held by Senator Dial.

I naddition to Fernald, who was returned to th eSenate in the Maine election in September; Capper,, Kansas; Keyes, New Hampshire; Edge, New Jersey, and McNary, Oregon, all Republicans, were re-elected. Chas. S. Deenen, a Republican, was the Senatorial winner in Illinois and Dupont, also a Republican, the victor in Delaware.

Re-election of Senators Borah, Idaho; and Norris, Nebraska, Republicans, had been conceded by their opponents, but Brookhart, Republican, Iowa, was trailing his Democratic opponent, and Magnus Johnsin, Minnesota's Farmer-Labor Senator, was behind Representative Schall, Republican, although both Brookhart and Johnson insisted they would turn up winners when the farmer vote is in.

In Massachusetts, Speaker Gillett had a lead over Senator David I. Walsh, Democrat; in Oklahoma, W. B. Pine, Republican, was ahead of J. C. Walton, Democratic senatorial nominee and avowed foe of the Ku Klux Klan; in Rhode Island, J. H. Metcalf, Republican, led Governor Flynn, Democrat, for the seat made vacant by the death of Lebaron Colt.

In Montana Senator J. Walsh, Democrat, the Teapot Dome investigator, has a lead over the field, and in New Mexico Senator Bursum, Republican, was having a hard battle with Cam G. Bratton, Democrat. In the eight cornered Senate race in South Dakota, Governor McMaster, Republican, led with U. S. G. Cherry, Democrat, running second.

While the Republicans gained grgound in the House it appeared probable that nearly oll of the Representatives identified with the Le Follette bloc during the last session had be re-elected. Nine of the ten seeking re-election in Wisconsin as Republicans were successful with the result still in doubt in the Fourth district, wh,ile Berger, Socialist ,was a winner in the Fifth Wisconsin.

In Michigan, James and Woodruff, both of whom usually lined up with the Republican insurgents, were re-elected, while in New York, Jacob Stein, a Democrat, with LaFollette endorsement was a winner.

Chairmen of important House committees returned for another term were. Madden, Illinois, of the Appropriating Committee; Graham, Pennsylvania, Judiciary; Butler, Pennsylvania, Naval; Snell, New York, Rules; and Porter, Pennsylvania, Foreign Affairs.

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SUNSWEET PRUNES 2 lb. Pkg. 25c
STRINGLESS BEANS 2 Cans 25c
EARLY JUNE PEAS 2 Cans 25c
WAKEFIELD SUGAR CORN 2 Cans 25c

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MOTHER'S JOY BREAD
5c Large 8c Loaf | 9c Extra Large 12c Loaf Wrapped
FRESH DAILY
On Saturdays
Mother's Joy Raisin Bread 10c loaf

MEAT SPECIALS
PRIME RIB ROAST.. ..... 23c lb.
BONELESS RUMP ROAST..... 27c lb.
All Cuts 3 CORNER ROAST.... 21c lb.
Select Cuts Porterhouse Steak... 35c lb.
Choice Cuts SIRLOIN STEAK.. 31c lb.
Tender ROUND STEAK..... 27c lb.
Small PORK CHOPS..... 25c lb.
Milk-Fed VEAL SHOULDERS.. 19c lb.
OUR OWN MAKE:
Country Style Fresh Sausage.... 29c lb.
Philadelphia Style Scrapple... 12½c lb.
Fresh Liver Pudding..... 19c lb.
Fancy Howe Cranberries..... 18c qt.
Florida Grape Fruit..... 2 for 21c
New Pack Sauer Kraut..... 15c qt.
(2 lbs. to qt.)
Large, Yellow Sweet Potatoes, 3 lbs. 13c

Extra Choice Evap. Yellow PEACHES 2 lbs. 25c
Cake Special:
CRYSTAL COOKIES, 20c lb.
Lemon flavored cookies with crystal sugar icing. About 42 to lb.
MORNING CHEER COFFEE
Fresh Roasted, 39c lb.
A splended blend for every day use on your own table.
TOP QUALITY ALWAYS!
MOTHER'S JOY CREAMERY BUTTER
48c Pound Print
Satisfaction guaranteed, for we know this butter will please you in every way.
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Large and sound—15 lbs. to peck
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